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Claims

	An aqua stopping device for a washing device, comprising:
	a valve body including a passage formed within;
	at least one valve for opening and closing the passage;
	a signal wire connected to a terminal of the valve;
	a connecting wire connected to the signal wire and extending a predetermined
	distance therefrom;
	a connecting portion provided at a portion connecting the signal wire and the
	connecting wire;
	an inner case enclosing at least the connecting portion; and
	an outer case provided at an exterior of the inner case.
[2]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the inner case is
	attached to an inner surface of the outer case.
[3]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the inner case includes
	an interior having a filler injected therein.
[4]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the connecting portion
	has a filler injected therearound.
[5]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, further comprising:
	a connecting tube attached to a lower portion of the valve body for passing wash
	water therethrough; and
	an outer tube disposed around an exterior of the connecting tube for enclosing
	the connecting tube.
[6]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the valve is aligned in
	plurality along the passage.
[7]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the connecting portion
	connects two signal wires to one connecting wire.
[8]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein an interior space of the
	outer case is empty.
[9]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the inner case includes
	an outer surface attached to an inner surface of the outer case.
[10]	The aqua stopping device according to claim 1, wherein the valve is a solenoid
	valve.
[II]	An aqua stopping device for a washing device, comprising:
	a valve body including a passage formed within;

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at least one solenoid valve for opening and closing the passage; a signal wire connected to a terminal of the solenoid valve; a connecting wire connected to the signal wire and extending outward; a connecting portion formed at a connection of the signal wire and the connecting wire;

a filler for insulating at least the connecting portion from an outside; and an outer case spaced from the filler and including an empty space inside.

- [12] The aqua stopping device according to claim 11, further comprising an inner case for providing a space to be filled by the filler.
- [13] The aqua stopping device according to claim 12, wherein the filler fills an entirety of an interior of the inner case.
- The aqua stopping device according to claim 12, wherein the inner case includes an exterior defining an empty space with the outer case.
- [15] The aqua stopping device according to claim 11, wherein the solenoid valve and the signal wire are respectively provided in duplicate.
- [16] A washing device comprising:

to wash;

a tub for holding wash water and articles to wash therein for washing the articles to wash;

a connecting tube for supplying water to the tub;

a leak detector provided at an exterior of the tub for detecting leaks; and an aqua stopping device for operating to block a supply of water according to a detection signal from the leak detector, the aqua stopping device being filled with a filler only at wire connecting portions in an interior thereof, the interior being otherwise empty.

- The washing device according to claim 16, further comprising:

 an inner case including an interior filled with the filler; and

 an outer case accommodating the inner case and including an empty interior.
- [18] A washing device comprising:
 a tub for holding wash water and articles to wash therein for washing the articles

a connecting tube for supplying water to the tub;

a leak detector provided at an exterior of the tub for detecting leaks; and an aqua stopping device for operating to block a supply of water according to a detection signal from the leak detector; wherein the aqua stopping device includes:

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an inner case having a wire connecting portion in an interior thereof for preventing water from contacting the wire connecting portion; a valve for opening and closing a passage according to the detection signal; and and an outer case disposed at a distant exterior of the inner case and defining an empty interior space.

[19] The washing device according to claim 18, wherein the inner case includes an interior space filled with a filler.